BEFORE THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC EXAMINERS IN MEDICINE AND SURGERY

In the Matter of:

JAMES P. CORRIGAN, D.O.
Holder of License No. 2664 26 444
For the practice of osteopathic medicine in the State of Arizona

STIPULATION FOR CONSENT ORDER; NOS. 1885, 1886 & 1887

STIPULATION

By mutual agreement and understanding, the Arizona State Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery ("Board") and James P. Corrigan, D.O. (hereinafter "Respondent"), the parties hereto agree to the following disposition of this matter.

- Respondent acknowledges that he has read this Stipulation and the attached
 Stipulated Consent Order; and, Respondent is aware of and understands the content of these document.
- 2. Respondent understands that by entering into this Stipulation, he voluntarily relinquishes any rights to hearing on the matters alleged as ground for Board action or to seek judicial review of the consent order in state or federal court.
- 3. Respondent understands that this Stipulation and Order will not become effective un less approved by this Board and signed by its Executive Director.
- 4. Respondent further understands that this Stipulation and Consent Order, once approved and signed, shall constitute a public record which may be disseminated as a formal action of the Board.
- Respondent admits to the facts and consents to all the terms contained in the
 Stipulated Order.

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1	 Respondent acknowledges and agrees that upon signing and returning this
2	document to the Board, he may not later revoke or amend this Stipulation or the attached Consent
3	Order, without Board approval.
4	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED that any violation of said Board Order
5	constitutes unprofessional conduct as defined in A.R.S. § 32-1855.
6	REVIEWED AND ACCEPTED this day of July, 1996.
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8	JAMES P. CORRIGAN
9	State of Pennsylvania) Notarial Seal Abert A. Scalea, Notary Public Notarial Seal Michelon Two, Burks County
11	Country of BUCKS) My Commission Expires Dec. 16, 1996 Wember, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries
12	This instrument was acknowledged before me this 15 day of 0 w/, 1996, by
13	the above-named individual.
14	NOTARY PUBLIC
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16	My Commission Expires:
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18	Reviewed and approved as to form by counsel for Respondent:
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20	Thea F. Silverstein Attorney at Law
21	One Arizona Center Phoenix, Arizona 85004-0001
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23	REVIEWED AND SIGNED this 25th day of, 1996, for the Board by:
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25	ANN MARIE BERGER Executive Director
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For the practice of medicine as an osteopathic physician in the
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Board Case Nos. 1885, 1886 & 1887

STIPULATED FINDINGS OF FACT,

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND

CONSENT ORDER

This matter came for hearing on June 26, 1996, before the Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery (hereafter, "Board"), to consider the formal complaint issued against James P. Corrigan, D.O. (hereafter, "Respondent"), at which time the Respondent was represented by Thea F. Silverstein, Attorney, and the State was represented by Michael Harrison, Assistant Attorney General, and appearing as legal advisor to the Board was Diane Huckleberry, Assistant Attorney General, Solicitor General's Section, Office of the Arizona Attorney General. Pursuant to the stipulation of the Respondent and the Board, the following findings of fact, conclusions of law and order are issued in this matter.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. A formal complaint was issued against the Respondent alleging that he had engaged in acts of unprofessional conduct as set forth more specifically in said complaint; and Respondent with legal counsel appeared before the Board on June 26, 1996 at the location set for hearing, and, the Board proceeded in this matter pursuant to its statutory authority to conduct formal complaint administrative hearings against a licensee of the Board.
- 2. Pursuant to stipulation by Respondent and his counsel and the attorney for the State, it was mutually agreed to vacate the formal complaint proceedings scheduled in this matter and to instead proceed with consideration of the matter as an informal interview hearing, pursuant

to the Board's statutory authority at A.R.S. § 32-1855(E), whereupon the Board heard the testimony of witnesses and the argument of counsel in this matter.

- 3. After deliberation and discussion, Respondent with legal counsel and the attorney for the State agreed to submit to the Board a stipulated order placing Dr. Corrigan on probationary status, pursuant to terms and conditions set forth more specifically hereafter, but without expressly finding that Respondent has engaged in any acts of unprofessional conduct.
- 4. After discussion and deliberation, the Board voted on June 26, 1996, during its public meeting and informal interview hearing with Respondent to authorize issuance of a probationary order for final disposition of this matter.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Arizona State Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery has jurisdiction over the person and subject matter presented, pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1800, et seq.
- 2. The Board has the authority to enter into an agreement for the stipulated disposition of this matter, pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1061(D) and § 32-1855(E).

CONSENT ORDER

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Board by statute, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Respondent is placed on probation and shall comply with the following terms of probation:

1. Respondent shall prepare an inventory list of all patient files in alphabetical sequence that are in his possession or subject to his control that were originally opened by him or received as a result of referral to him, pursuant to medical provider service contract with Mercy Care Plan and Phoenix Health Plan. The inventory list shall segregate patient names and files according to the aforementioned health care provider plan to which the patient was affiliated, so that two separate inventory lists are prepared by Respondent. The files of patients maintained by Respondent who were not participants in the Mercy Care Plan and Phoenix Health Plan are not subject to this inventory requirement.

- 2. The aforementioned inventory shall be prepared and completed within ten (10) business days from the effective date of this order; and, thereafter the Respondent shall deliver at his expense a copy of the patient files and the inventory list to the appropriate health care plan and to the attention of the following individuals:
 - A. Nancy Novick, Executive Director Phoenix Health Plan 2700 N. Third Street, Suite 3000 Phoenix, Arizona 85004
 - B. Lillian Iniguez-Garcia
 Provider Services Representative
 Mercy Care Plan
 2800 N. Central Avenue, Suite 400
 Phoenix, Arizona 85004
- 3. Respondent shall, at the same time he is complying with the requirements set forth at paragraph 2, herein, also send a copy of the two inventory lists with cover letter to the attention of the State's attorney in this matter, i.e., Michael N. Harrison, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Arizona Attorney General, 1275 W. Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.
- 4. The administrators for the aforementioned health plans shall receive a copy of this order; and, the health plan administrators are requested to confirm the accuracy of the inventory lists provided by Respondent and to confirm receipt of corresponding patient files listed in the inventory list. The health plan administrators are requested to provide confirmation of receipt of the patient files and inventory lists by sending a letter to the Board's Executive Director, Ann Marie Berger, with a copy to the aforementioned attorney for the State, within ten (10) business days of receiving the patient files or as soon thereafter as possible. In the event that the health plan administrators find any discrepancy between the itemized list of patient files and the actual files produced, it is requested that they report by letter to the State's attorney with specificity the nature of the discrepancy.
- 5. In the event that the health care plan administrators assert that they did not receive patient files from Respondent for individuals for whom the health plan administrative records

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19	COPY of this Order delivered by U.S. mail which was posted on
20	the 26 day of July, 1996, and addressed to:
21	James P. Corrigan, D.O.
22	1 Matthews Run Chester Springs, PA 19425
23	Thea F. Silverstein, Esq.
24	SNELL & WILMER 1 Arizona Center
25	Phoenix, Arizona 85004-0001

Attorney for Dr. Corrigan

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then Respondent was the last known treating physician and holder of the patient records, then Respondent shall make a good faith effort to locate such files and deliver those files to the health plan within fifteen (15) days of receiving written notice of the names of the patients whose files are missing. If the Respondent cannot locate those reportedly missing files, he shall so advise the appropriate administrator for the health plan by letter with explanation and send a copy of the letter to the Board's Executive Director and the State's attorney in this matter.

- 6. Respondent's probation shall last for a period of six (6) months whereupon the Respondent may submit a written request for termination of probation, if he demonstrates satisfactory compliance with the terms of probation to the Board's satisfaction.
- 7. In all other respects, Respondent shall conform his professional medical conduct to the requirements of the Board's statutes and administrative regulations.

ISSUED AND EFFECTIVE this 25th day of July, 1996, in accordance with the thorization of the Board during its public meeting on June 26, 1996.

ARIZONA BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC EXAMINERS IN MEDICINE AND SURGERY

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